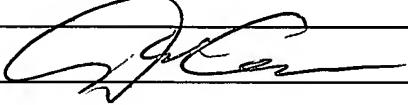


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		Group Art Unit	3736
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		Title	Surgical Devices for Imposing a Negative Pressure to Stabilize Cardiac Tissue During Surgery n

Sir:

This is to request that the Power of Attorney and change of correspondence address filed March 6, 2003 be made effective in this case. A stamped postcard, dated March 13, 2003 was received by our office indicating that the Patent Office has received the filing. However, an Office Action mailed on May 9, 2003 was mailed to the old correspondence address and old attorneys of record, who are no longer handling this case. Please update your records. Copies of the documents filed March 13, 2003, as well as the stamped postcard we received are submitted herewith.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,  
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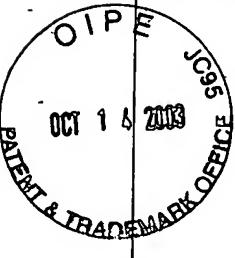
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Cardiothoracic Systems, Inc., assignee of the above-identified application by assignment dated December 14, 2001, hereby revoke all previous powers and appoint:

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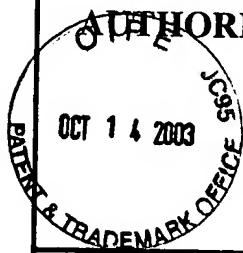
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In accordance with 37 CFR §3.73(b) I hereby certify that I am empowered to act on behalf of the Assignee of the above-identified patent application. The Assignment was recorded with the U.S. Patent Office on December 14, 2001 at Reel 012388, Frame 0669.

I declare that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Title 18, United States Code §1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above referenced application or any patent resulting from that application.

Name and Company	Ronald D. Devore; Cardiothoracic Systems, Inc.		
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I hereby revoke all previous powers of attorney or authorizations of agent given in the above-identified application:

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